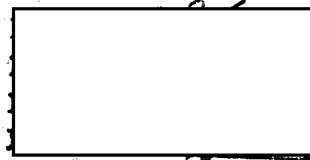


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Mr. John Causton Curry
John Causton Curry & Associates
The Biltmore Hotel
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Dear Mr. Curry:

I read an article by you, appearing in the DAILY OKLAHOMAN of 18 December 1960, in which you analyzed some of the issues of the "U-2 incident" and questioned the treatment of that incident on one of the TV network programs.

While I do not comment publicly on published articles or televised presentations bearing on U.S. intelligence, however favorable or unfavorable they may be, I can say to you, privately, that I appreciate very much your effort to give a balanced view of the value of overflights and reconnaissance to our national security, and to analyze some of the fallacies of the Soviet propaganda that sought to exploit the U-2 incident last year.

Sincerely,

SEKED
Allen W. Dulles
Director

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